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Governor to Present PEAK Award to Brewster Place Tuesday

TOPEKA – Tuesday, Kansas Governor Sam Brownback and Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) Secretary Shawn Sullivan will make a formal presentation to Brewster Place, a continuing care retirement community in Topeka. Brewster Place is one of the eight adult care facilities that earned a 2012 Promoting Excellence Alternatives in Kansas (PEAK) award. The awards are given annually by KDADS to facilities that implement and promote person-centered care.

"This facility is setting an example for all Kansas adult care facilities adopting and promoting resident-directed care," Sullivan said. "They have achieved the goal of the PEAK program, a more satisfying and rewarding experience for both residents and staff. This presentation is an opportunity for us to acknowledge their success and commitment and celebrate with residents, staff and the community."

Event: PEAK Award Presentation

WHO: Governor Brownback, KDADS Secretary Shawn Sullivan, Brewster Health Center CEO David Beck

WHEN: Tuesday, July 2, 2013, 10:00 a.m.

WHERE: Brewster Health Center at 1001 SW 29th Street, Topeka

The PEAK awards program began in 2002 to recognize and encourage nursing homes to move away from the institutional model of care to a person-centered model with residents having more control over their activities and schedules.

This event is open to the media. Please contact Angela de Rocha with any questions, 785-250-8113.

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